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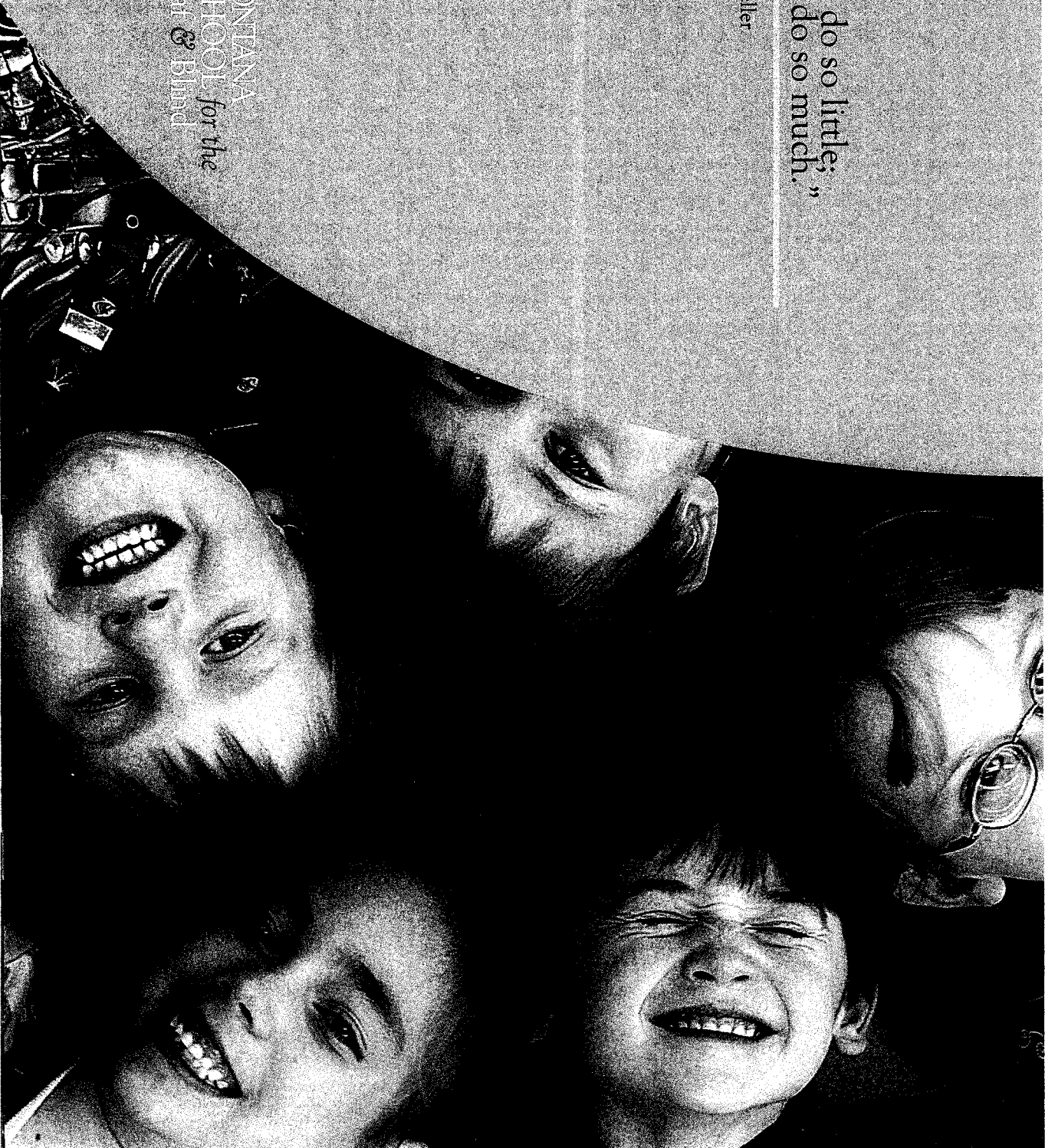
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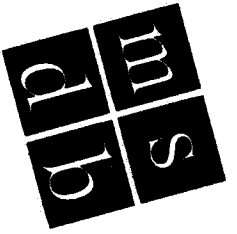
"Alone we can do so little;  
together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

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# MONTANA SCHOOL Deaf & Blind

House Appropriations  
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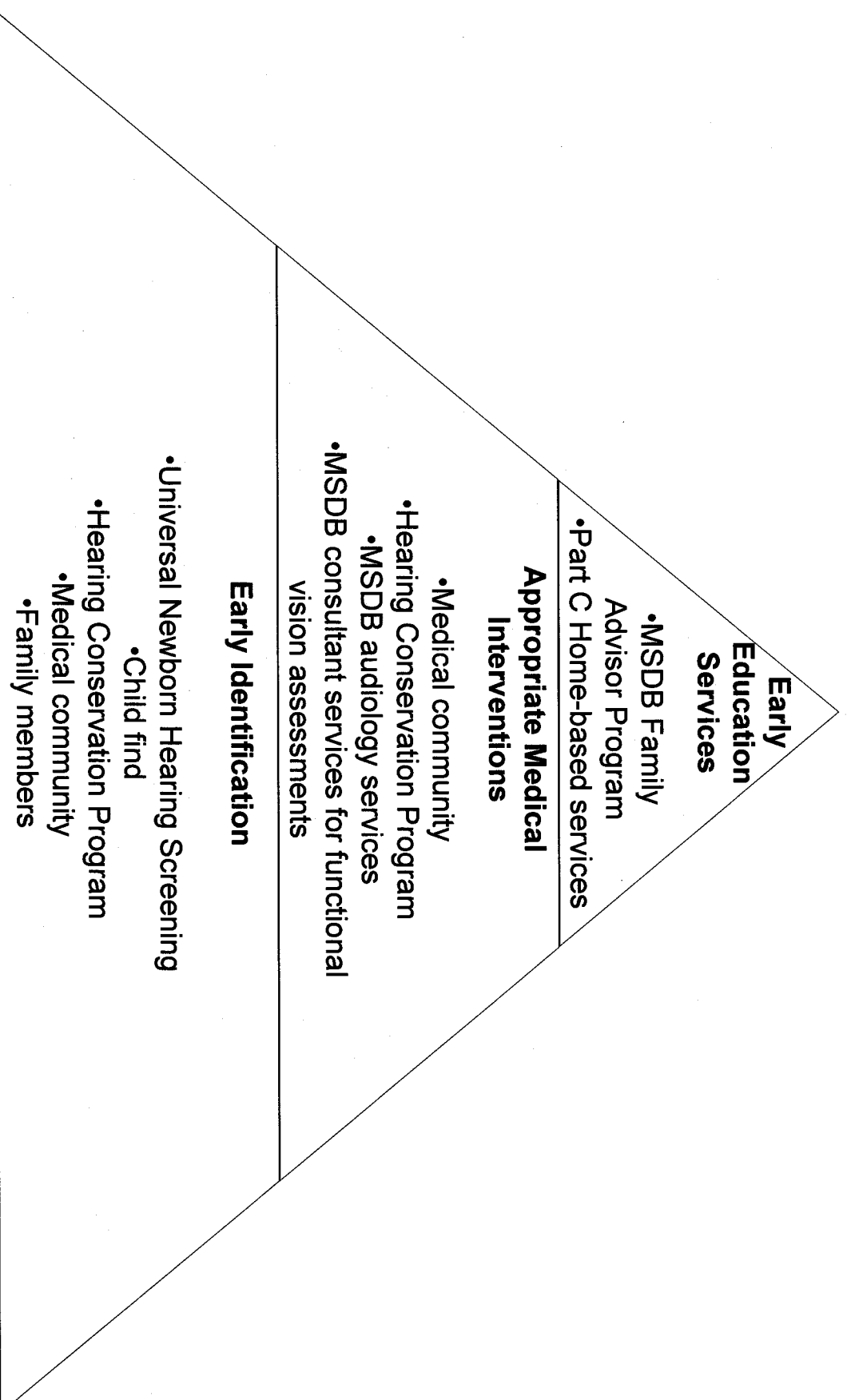
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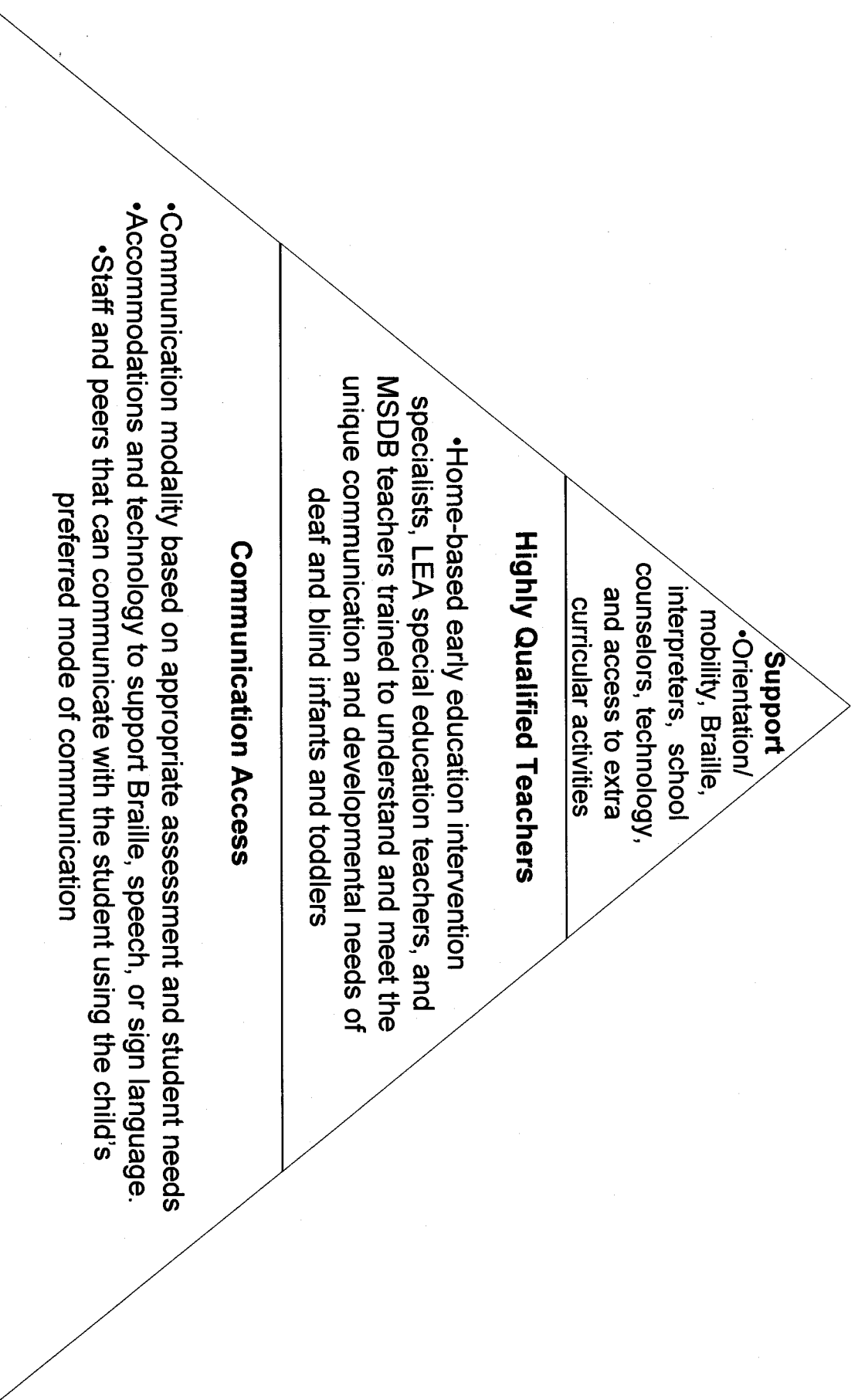
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# Deaf and blind children must be ready to enter school with peer equivalent skills



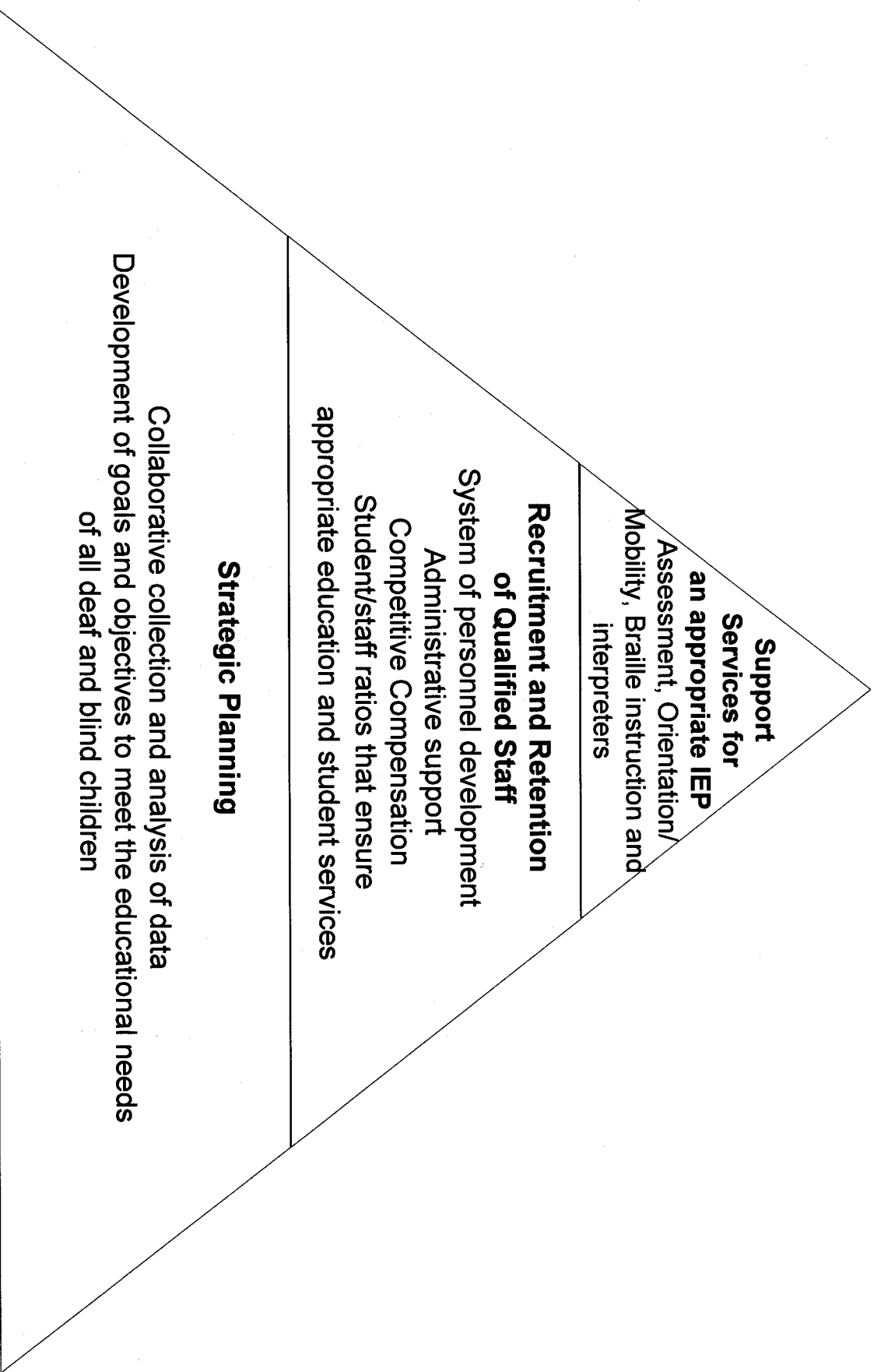
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# Deaf and blind children must have meaningful access to curriculum and instruction



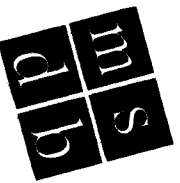
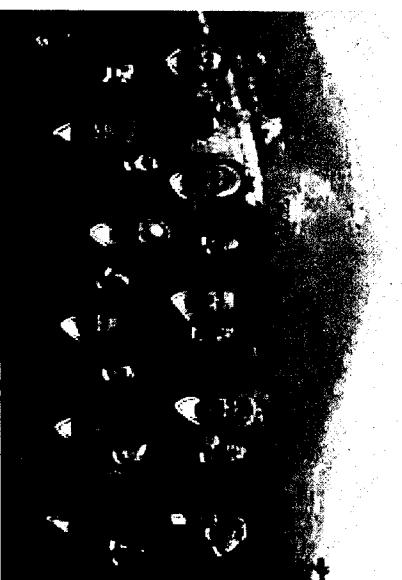
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# Effective education demands sufficient resources to meet the needs of deaf and blind students state-wide



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MSDB provides more than academics. Our school community supports unique ways of communicating and learning so that the whole child is well prepared for a productive, independent and satisfying life.



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# MSDB Continuum of Services

0 – 2 years

3 – 18 years

19-22 years

Infants  
and  
Toddlers

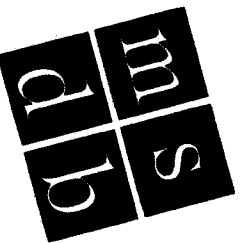
- Family advisor services
- Follow up to UNHS referrals
- Consultation and technical assistance to families, Part C, and the medical community
- Training for service providers to utilize special curriculum for early intervention

Preschool Elementary and  
High School Students

- School based education and evaluation services for preschool elementary and high school students at MSDB
- Residential services for students who live outside the Great Falls area
- Consultation, technical assistance, and training for families and local school districts through outreach
- Family Learning and Enrichment Weekends and Summer camps
- Professional resource library for parents, teachers and interpreters
- Technology and equipment lending program for students with visual impairments
- Accessible Learning Center for the Described and Captioned Media Program
- State Coordinator for the National Instructional Materials Access Center
- Register students and manage state accounts and purchases for the American Printing House for the Blind

Post -  
Secondary  
Students

- Transition training to develop independence, communication, and vocational skills
- Consultation and technical assistance to families and local school districts through outreach
- Collaboration with Blind and Low Vision Services and Vocational Rehabilitation to support students transitioning to work or college



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